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Four Songs.

1. A bird upon a rosy bough. 40
2. A farewell.
3. Beneath the starry arch. ...
4. Music when soft voices die.

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A BIRD UPON A ROSY BOUGH.

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ALLEGRETTO.

VOICE.

A bird upon a

PIANO.

p *sf p* *sf p*

ro - sy bough sang low and long, sang late and loud, Un -

cresc. *dim.* *ritard.*

til the young moon's sil - ver prow Had sunk be - hind a

dim

a tempo *p*

bar of cloud. The south wind paused and

pp

p

held its breath, Sing loud and late, sing low and long, While

cantabile. *dim.*

cresc.

sweet as love and sad as death, The match-less notes rose

cantando. *cresc.*

f

wild and strong. They

dim. *p* *sf p* *sf p*

cresc.

rang with rap - - ture, loss and change, Sing low and late, sing

cresc.

long and loud, A tu - mult pas - sion - - ate and strange, A

ritard *a tempo*

speech - less grief, a pa - - tience proud: Till

pp

with fare - well for - e - - ver more, Sing late and loud, sing

cantabile

low and long, Like waves that kiss a

bar - ren shore, like waves that kiss a bar - ren shore,

In sob - bing ca - - dence, in sob - bing

ca - - - dence died the song.

cresc. *f* *cresc.* *Red.* *mf Red.* *dim. e rall.* *p* *Red.* *dim. e rall.* *pp* *cresc.* *dim.* *morendo.* *ritard.* *pp* *morendo.* *dim.* *ppp*